



Newsletter 2 29th September 2017



Dear Parents, Carers and members of the community, welcome to Newsletter 2 of the 2017/18 academic year. Time has truly flown over the course of the last 2 weeks and the learning that has been taking place across the classes is exceptional. All the way up from our youngest to our oldest learners, we are seeing huge amounts of resilience, perseverance and children who want to be challenged to take that next step in their learning. There is such a phenomenal buzz around the school and I know that there are lots more wonderful learning opportunities to come this term,

Welbourn really is an exciting place to be! As always, if you need to catch me, I will be on the school gate several times each week or a longer appointment can be made via the school office.

Have a wonderful week and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Best Wishes, *Mr Sam Eden (Executive Headteacher)*

Wraparound Care Update



Mrs Moore has sent all parents an update about the school's current position on providing wraparound care. The Senior Leadership Team, along with Governors, have been working hard to ensure that we offer excellent wraparound care enabling parents the support needed to ensure childcare needs are being met.

If use of the Breakfast Club and After School Club is something that you would consider using, please make a note of the sessions that you would be likely to use so that the prospective provider can begin planning for the wraparound care to begin.

This is incredibly exciting for Welbourn as many parents have expressed a need for this provision in recent months. As soon as we know more information, we will be in touch with all parents.

Governor Update



Following the recent Full Governing Body Meeting, we can inform you that Mrs Allison Jackson has been elected to carry on her role as Chair of Governors for this coming year and Mrs Michelle

White has been elected by the Governors to continue being Vice Chair of Governors. We are all delighted that the Governing Body has such strong leadership and look forward to working alongside them, and the rest of the governors to ensure that Welbourn continues to flourish and ensure each and every pupil receives the very best education.

Governor Focus will begin again in the next newsletter so you can learn more about the governors and their roles and responsibilities.

For more information, please see the governor section of the school website.

Well Done 11+ Children



Over the past 2 weeks a selection of our Year 6 children have undertaken the 11+ test and have worked so hard and diligently. We are very proud of their achievements regardless of any outcome!

Headlice

Please be aware that there have been confirmed cases of headlice within school. Please take steps to check your child's hair regularly and treat any instances of headlice.

Gate Opening-End of School Day

Please note that we have begun opening the school gate at 3.30pm to coincide with the same time that Class Teachers are bringing their children out for the end of the school day. This should ensure even more safety in our systems for the end of the school day. Mrs Dwane/Mrs Burton will unlock the gate each day at 3.30pm promptly and we ask that parents wait outside the gate until it is opened. Once opened, please do not hesitate to come onto the playground to collect your child.

Parent Sharing Opportunities



This year we will be holding family sharing in Terms 1, 3 and 5. This term, these opportunities will take place week commencing 16th October and are the children's opportunity to share with you the learning that has taken place over the course of the term.

The dates of the sharing are as follows;

Topaz-Wednesday 18th at 9.10am

Emerald-Friday 20th at 9.10am

Amethyst-Tuesday 17th at 2.45pm

Moonstone-Thursday 19th at 2.45pm

Please try to support your child by attending. Children are so incredibly motivated by their parents coming into school and this helps inspire children to strive to be the best they can be.

Parent Meeting Dates *Advance notice of date*



We will be holding our parent consultations for each child in the school on 6th November from 3pm-6pm. More information will be sent out nearer the time in order for you to book your appointment; it will be at this meeting that we will be informing you of your child's initial progress this term as well as how we have assessed their attendance, attitude, behaviour and readiness to learn. We are very much looking forward to sharing this information with you. If in the meantime you have any worries or concerns, please see your child's Class Teacher who will be more than willing to meet and discuss with you.

Well done to our Exceptional Reception Children

A huge well done must go to our wonderful new Reception Class of children who have settled in so beautifully and are very much following our school routines and rules with such enthusiasm. Keep up the hard work, Topaz!

inspire+

Sport in schools is incredibly important and Welbourn has joined forces with an excellent sport based charity who offer a full package of support for teachers, but unique and lively enrichment for the pupils. Inspire+ aim to provide excellent PE and Sport provision that helps accelerate the school based provision and continue the Olympic legacy from London 2012. If you would like to know more about the work of this excellent charity, please click the following link.

<https://www.inspireplus.org.uk/online/>

We look forward to welcoming the ambassadors in to talk to the children, the mentoring programme, the PGL trip, the teaching support and the focus on the teaching and learning of PE. We cannot wait to get started with Inspire+!

Open Morning Thursday 9th November 9.30am – 11.30am

Whether your child is already at school with us or hoping to join us in September, why not come along to our Open Morning. You can:

- take an informative tour of the school
- join in with learning in each class
- talk to the staff and pupils
- have coffee and cake at breaktime with staff and other key members of the school community
- learn of our mission, aims and successes and of course ask all the questions you want any answers too.

We very much look forward to seeing you at this special event. Please spread the word to any members of the community who may also be looking for a place for next September, it is always great to see the school full of people from the existing, and new, school community.

National Poetry Day Fun

Thursday 28th September was National Poetry Day and the school celebrated by reading, writing and performing poems. These were exceptional and we look forward to sharing them with you.